Thomas International Expands Canadian Operations with Distributorship in Maritimes

Assessment provider launches Halifax-based distributor to support growth opportunities in Maritime provinces

TORONTO, Canada / April 21, 2010 – Thomas International, a global provider of objective management systems and work-based assessment tools, announced today a distributorship agreement with Thomas International Maritimes in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Leading the Halifax-based operations, as director is Claudina Whisken. In her role, she will be responsible for building up assessment capabilities in the Maritimes, promoting the Thomas brand locally, and supporting national clients with regional service requirements. Whisken has more than 7 years experience in the assessment industry, having worked as Sales Manager for Thomas International South Africa.

Whisken is known for her service excellence and long term client retention, factors which have contributed to her being recognized as a top achiever and award winning consultant at local and international levels within Thomas International.

"This new distributorship will provide local support to Maritime provinces and fulfills Thomas' strategic vision of coast-to-coast Canadian service coverage, with assessment solutions and support in both official languages. I congratulate Claudina on her appointment and am confident in her ability to create a significant Thomas presence in the Maritimes," said Merle Ballaigues, president of Thomas International in North America.

"No matter what the market conditions people remain a company's most valuable resource and conversely their Achilles heel – using Thomas' tools I have assisted companies make better use of their human resource base, with positive tangible results. I am excited to be able to offer Thomas products with the requisite level of services and support, to businesses in the Maritimes' said Claudina Whisken, director of Thomas International Maritimes.

About Thomas International, Inc.

Thomas International is a global provider of objective management systems and work-based assessment tools. With over 30 years of experience, we enable organizations to recruit, retain, develop and manage their people effectively. Our experienced team of consultants and advisors support clients to achieve outcomes of reduced attrition, higher employee productivity and engagement, and more effective leadership – positively impacting the bottom line. For more information, visit http://www.thomasus.com/.

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